

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

[Read three times and ratified in General Assembly this 17th day of December, A. D., 1852.]

CHAPTER XLI.

AN ACT TO GIVE TO THE COURT OF PLEAS AND QUARTER SESSIONS OF THE COUNTIES OF RANDOLPH AND GRANVILLE, JURISDICTION OVER THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE FOR DIVISION AMONGST JOINT TENANTS, AND TENANTS IN COMMON.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, It frequently happens under the laws now in force, requiring all petitions for the sales of real estate for division amongst joint tenants or tenants in common, to be filed in the Court of Equity, that the costs and expenses attending such petition and sale, amount to nearly as much as such real estate is worth, or to a sum which, when compared with the value of such real estate, is oppressive to those who are interested therein: Now, therefore, to remedy such hardship, and to facilitate and cheapen the division of real estate between joint tenants or tenants in common in the counties of Randolph and Granville.

Jurisdiction.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That hereafter the Courts